

## manual change transmittal

TITLE	PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURES MANUAL	APPROVED BY  Timothy Craggs, Acting Division Chief	Date Issued: 03/04/2010
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SUBJECT AREAS	Consideration of Visual Impacts and Protection of Visual Quality Constructability Review Minor Corrections to Appendix L	ISSUING UNIT DIVISION OF DESIGN	
SUPERCEDES	Chapter 8 – Overview of Project Development Chapter 9 – Project Initiation Chapter 10 – Formal Studies Chapter 14 – Preparation of Project Plans Chapter 15 – Final Project Development Procedures Chapter 29 – Landscape Architecture Appendix L – Project Study Report	DISTRIBUTION <b>ON-LINE</b>	

The official version of the *Project Development Procedures Manual (PDPM)* is the electronic version found on Caltrans Division of Design Website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/oppd/pdpm/pdpmn.htm>.

The following describes three changes that were made to the *PDPM*.

1. This revision ensures that the intent of *Deputy Directive 24 – Scenic Highway Program* is captured in the *PDPM* and that project teams apply the requirements for consideration of scenic resources and the protection of visual quality to all applicable projects and not just to projects with highway planting.

### Chapter 8 – Project Development Overview

The requirements for the following topics were moved from the Highway Plantings Section in Chapter 29, Landscape Architecture, to Chapter 8, Overview of Project Development.

- Consideration of scenic resources and the protection of visual quality.
- Identification of routes listed in statute as eligible or designated on the State Scenic Highway System.

### Chapter 29 – Landscape Architecture:

The above information was deleted from Chapter 29. A cross-reference to Chapter 8 was added to Section 1 – General.

### Appendix L – Project Study Report

A checkbox for designated and eligible scenic highways was included in the design scoping index.

2. This revision incorporates the constructability review requirements from *Project Delivery Directive 05* dated February 26, 2010.

Chapter 8 – Project Development Overview

This revises the chapter to incorporate the new requirements for constructability reviews.

Chapter 9 - Project Initiation

This revises the chapter to cross-reference constructability review requirements in Chapter 8.

Chapter 10 – Formal Project Studies

This revises the chapter to cross-reference constructability review requirements in Chapter 8.

Chapter 14 – Preparation of Project Plans

This revises the chapter to cross-reference constructability review requirements in Chapter 8.

Chapter 15 – Final Project Development Procedures

This revises the chapter to cross-reference constructability review requirements in Chapter 8.

3. This revision makes changes to correct errors.

Appendix L:

- Changes the units in Appendix L from metric units to English units.
- Corrects the information in the table on project initiation document attachments. The corrected table now shows that the advance planning study must be attached to the project initiation document.

If you have questions regarding the policies and procedures for:

- Visual impacts and scenic quality, you may contact Dennis Cadd in the Landscape Architecture Program at (916) 654-5370.
- Constructability reviews, you may contact Julie Forsythe in the Division of Design, at (916) 653-8477.

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